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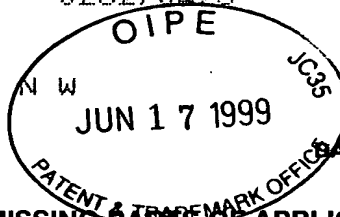
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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION**  
**Filing Date Granted**

An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the SURCHARGE set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of ☐ \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or ☐ \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a ☐ small entity (statement filed) ☒ non-small entity is \$ 1020.00.

- ☒ 1. The statutory basic filing fee is:  
☐ missing.  
☐ insufficient.

Applicant must submit \$ 760.00 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).

- ☐ 2. The following additional claims fees are due:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ total claims over 20.

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Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

- ☒ 3. The oath or declaration:  
☐ is missing or unsigned.  
☐ does not cover the newly submitted items.

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

- ☐ 4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47.

A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

- ☐ 5. The signature of the following joint inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

- ☐ 6. A \$50.00 processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).  
☐ 7. Your filing receipt was mailed in error because your check was returned without payment.  
☒ 8. The application was filed in a language other than English.  
Applicant must file a verified English translation of the application, the \$130.00 set forth in 37 CFR 1.52(k), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).  
☐ 9. OTHER:

Direct the reply and any questions about this notice to "Attention: Box Missing Parts."

**A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of

Takeshi FUNAHASHI and Masaaki OHTSUKA

Serial No.: 09/281,969

Filed: March 31, 1999

For: IMAGE NORMALIZATION PROCESSING SYSTEM



**SUBMISSION OF EXECUTED DECLARATION, VERIFIED ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
TRANSLATION AND REQUISITE FEES**

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application-Filing Date Granted", mailed April 23, 1999, submitted herewith is the Declaration properly executed by the inventor(s) and Verified English Language Translation (80 pages of specification) for the above-mentioned application and along with the requisite filing fees. Also enclosed please find a Letter of Clarification, a Submission of Formal Drawings, eleven (11) sheets of drawings, Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449 with reference, an executed Assignment and PTO Form 1595.

The undersigned wishes the Office to note that the title of the invention has been properly translated as reflected by the attached, which varies slightly from that originally submitted on March 31, 1999. The Office is requested to adjust their records accordingly.

Checks for the statutory fee of \$2340.00 (Basic Government Filing Fee of \$760.00; Excess Claim Fee of \$72.00; Independent Claim Fee of \$1248.00; Submission of Late Declaration Fee of \$130.00 and Verified English Language Translation Fee of \$130.00) and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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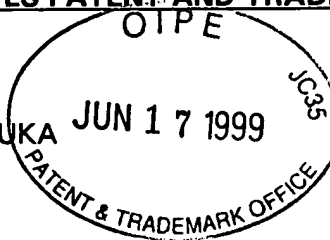
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**LETTER OF CLARIFICATION**

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is to advise that the filing date for Japanese Patent Application No. 87361 was incorrectly shown on the letter of transmittal dated March 31, 1999, when the above-named application was filed. The Declaration and Power of Attorney submitted herewith shows the correct filing date for Japanese Patent Application No. 87361 filed March 31, 1998.

Respectfully submitted,

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## DECLARATION

I, Yoko Saitoh, of Yanagida & Associates, 701  
BENEX S-1, 3-18-20 Shin-Yokohama, Kohoku-ku, Yokohama-shi,  
Kanagawa-ken, Japan, hereby certify that the attached is my  
English translation of the accompanying copy of the documents  
and certify that my translation is a true and correct  
translation to the best of my knowledge and belief.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Yoko Saitoh".

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Yoko Saitoh

Dated this 3rd day of June, 1999